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SUBJECT: EA/PRCM WEEKLY STATUS REPORT

1. STUDENTS FROM THE PRC (CONFIDENTIAL)

WE, OES AND ICA ARE COLLABORATING CLOSELY IN THE NSF TASK FORCE ON STUDENT EXCHANGES. WE SHOULD HAVE A FIRST NSF DRAFT AUGUST 4. PRESS REPORTS CONCERNING CHINESE INTEREST IN SENDING STUDENTS ABROAD HAVE ALREADY GENERATED SEVERAL PHONE CALLS FROM UNIVERSITIES, AND WE EXPECT MORE TO COME. THE CHINESE APPARENTLY AREN'T HELPING MATTERS BY OFFERING TO SEND STUDENTS TO JUST ABOUT ANYONE WHO ASKS. WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT THE UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH WAS OFFERED FIFTY CHINESE STUDENTS BY A PRCLO OFFICER, AND
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POLITICAL COUNSELOR TSAO KUEI-SHENG, ACCOMPANYING THE AGRICULTURAL DELEGATION, WAS OVERHEARD OFFERING STUDENTS TO AMICHIGANPROFESSOR. WE HAVE LEARNED ALSO OF RECENT CHINESE EFFORTS TO HAVE US EXPORTERS ARRANGE FOR AMERICAN UNIVERSITY TRAINING FOR PRC INDUSTRY CADRES.

2. INCIDENT INVOLVING MEMBERS OF PRC ANIMAL FEED

DELEGATION (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

IN ST LOUIS, THE FOUR LEADERS OF THE CSCPRC-HOSTED PRC ANIMAL FEED DELEGATION RETURNED TO THEIR LOCKED HOTEL ROOMS AUGUST 1 TO FIND LEAFLETS FROM THE "OVERSEAS CHINESE KUO MIN TANG CLUB FOR IMPROVEMENT OF FRIENDSHIP" URGING THEM TO DEFECT. THUS FAR, PRCLO HAS NOT RAISED THE MATTER WITH US. (WE REPORTED EARLIER INCIDENTS INVOLVING LEAFLETS LEFT IN THE PERFORMING ART TROUPE'S ROOMS HERE.)

3. TRAVEL (UNCLASSIFIED)

DON ANDERSON FLIES TO LOS ANGELES SUNDAY FOR A MULTI-PURPOSE TRIP. HE WILL SEE OFF THE PERFORMING ARTS TROUPE, BE AVAILABLE IN CASE OF AN ATTACHMENT ATTEMPT ON THE CAAC PLANES, WELCOME THE NEW PRCLO CHIEF, CHAI TSE-MIN, AND GREET THE HIGH LEVEL JOURNALIST DELEGATION. HE RETURNS NEXT WEDNESDAY.

4. PERSONNEL (UNCLASSIFIED)

JOE BORICH JOINED PRCM THIS WEEK AS HONG KONG/MACAU DESK OFFICER. WITH THE RECENT ARRIVALS OF LYNN PASCOE AND TOM BIDDICK WE ARE NOW UP TO FULL FIGHTING STRENGTH. VANCE

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